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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.